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MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. John S. Earman,
Executive Officer

VIA: Deputy Director (Plans) *Lo/CRM*

SUBJECT: Personal Letter to the Director from Ernest KOCHERTHALER

REFERENCE: Executive Registry #10-7513

1. This memorandum has attached a suggested reply to Mr. KOCHERTHALER's letter prepared for the Director's signature. (Attachment B)

2. It might be pointed out that the attachment to reference letter is substantially the same as that forwarded previously in Mr. KOCHERTHALER's letter dated 28 June 1958 (Executive Registry #10-6268). The latter letter was answered by you on 3 September 1958. The summary of Mr. KOCHERTHALER's first contribution is attached hereto for your information. (Attachment A)

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Attachments:

- A. Summary of paper - Die naechste Phase der historische Dialektik
- B. Personal Letter

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Mr. Ernest Kocherthaler
Gryphenhuebeliweg 2h
Bern, Switzerland

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Sincerely,

Allen W. Dulles
Director

via air mail

Signature Recommended:

Deputy Director, Plans

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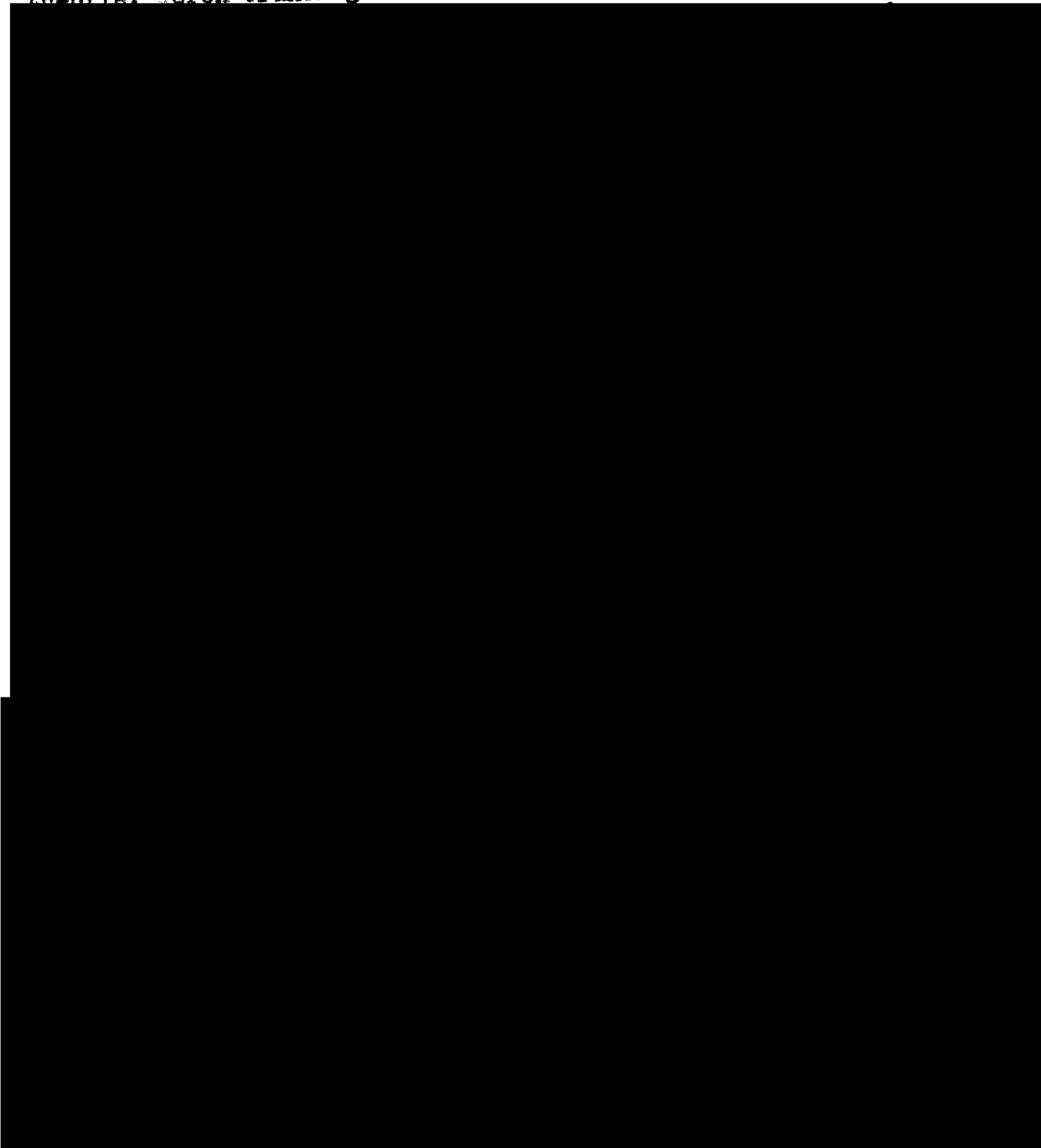
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Die nächste Phase der historischen Dialektik.

I. Die Dialektik der Geschichte.

Bekanntlich fusst die marxistische Lehre auf einer Geschichts-
theorie, deren Grundlagen von Hegel übernommen worden sind, näm-
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SUMMARY OF PAPER

The paper represents the author's concept of the forthcoming phase in the evolution of Communist society, pointing out weaknesses in the philosophical foundations of Communism which have become apparent in the period of rapid economic and social developments since Marx originally formulated his philosophy. Working from these weaknesses and the resultant contradictions between Communist philosophy and its manifestations in Communist life, the author arrives at conclusions on ways in which, in his opinion, these weaknesses may effect further events within the Communist world.

The question--what is the antithesis of Socialism--remains to be answered since the dialectical triangle projected by Marx has never been completed. Djilas gives the answer when he points out that the antithesis of Socialism is not the Proletariat but rather the bureaucracy of the Party which enjoys the right to use state-capital profit.

The vast changes effected by automation and mechanization upon the social structure of both capitalist and communist worlds are altering the position of the worker and the theories of surplus value as well as the function and nature of investment capital. The working masses are becoming more educated and more intelligent in order to operate the vastly more complicated industrial mechanisms. These changes are continuously narrowing the gap between the worker and management. As a result of the worker's strengthened position brought on by these changes, the worker in the capitalist world is receiving an increasing share of the profits and is playing a greater role in the profit making process. In the Soviet Union, the workers will similarly continue to rise in intelligence and education and the party hierarchy will be forced to give them a greater share in the profits and management of the industrial process.

A parallel development is taking place in the armed services as the foot soldier with strength and stamina evolves into the technician with intelligence and training to serve the complicated automatic and electronic machines of the armed forces.

Thus, from these two developments there is formed in the sociological structure a "technical intelligentsia" replacing the "worker peasant and soldier proletariat."

There is a strong possibility, in the author's opinion, that this newly awakened technical class will make its interests felt in the Communist society by the evolution and re-birth of Lenin's former workers' and soldiers' councils representing the "technical intelligentsia" vis-a-vis the party hierarchy.

The author goes on to record a number of other theoretical weaknesses in Marxist dialectical materialism brought out by developments in modern philosophy and the abstract sciences. The author touches briefly on the question of the nature of matter, the structure of the atom, energy, the nature of the universe and the inorganic world.

He concludes with the suggestion that, according to the principle of the dialectics of history, the next ideological synthesis will grow out of the antithesis between materialism and idealism.

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Bern, Sept. 8th. 1958

Dear Allen,

I profit of Bert's visit in order to present you a memo which I announced you, when we met last year in Zurich.

It tries to appeal to the Marxists, young in their own Marxist language, trying to convince them that their ideology is outdated. Ideological victory is in my opinion the last hope left to eliminate the Bolshevik danger.

If you come to this country or if you have spare time in any other European place, I will always be glad to meet

you.

With the kindest of regards and
the best of wishes

ever yours

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| <p>Jim: The attached, as you will note, was prepared by the Director's friend, Dr. Ernesto Kocherthaler. He has asked that a brief of the enclosure to the letter be prepared together with an appropriate reply he might send to Kocherthaler through Burt Lifschultz.</p> | | | | | |
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